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## **AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT**

Please amend the abstract as set forth below in marked-up form.

In a CMOS image pickup device in which the signal corresponding to the accumulated charge amount of each pixel is output to horizontal signal lines wired on a row basis, for example, two vertical selection transistors are provided <u>for</u> every horizontal signal lines, and two vertical signal lines and two vertical scan circuits are provided <u>for</u> every horizontal signal line, thereby separately outputting signals which are different in accumulation time and obtained by arbitrarily dividing 1 field into any number of parts on the basis of integer times of 1H.